

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Irrigation & C.A.D. Department – Allegation of acquisition of assets disproportionate to the known sources of his legal income against Sri. Tarra Ramadas, Technical Officer, Irrigation Department, B.R.R. Vamsadhara Project, Hiramandalam, Srikakulam district – Departmental action under rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 – Initiated – Imposing penalty of withholding of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect – Orders – Issued.

IRRIGATION AND COMMAND AREA DEVELOPMENT (SER.VI-1) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 1368

Dated: 18.12.2012.
Read the following:-

- 1) From the Inspector of Police, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Vizianagaram, A.P. Police Department Message, dated 25.09.2009.
- 2) From the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, Letter Rc.No.244/RCA-VSK/2009, dated 05.03.2011.
- 3) G.O.Rt.No.346, Irrigation & C.A.D. (Ser.VI-1) Department, dated 21.04.2011.
- 4) From Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer written statement of defence, dated 23.01.2012.
- 5) Govt.Memo.No.25310/Ser.VI-1/2009-16, dated 02.02.2012.
- 6) Proceedings No.Rc/ENC/S1(1)/4313/2009, dated 17.02.2012 of Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.
- 7) Proceedings No.Rc/ENC/S1(1)/4313/2009, dated 13.04.2012 of Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.
- 8) From the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad, Lr.No.Rc/ENC/S1(1)/4313/2009, dated 10.09.2012.
- 9) Govt.Memo.No.25310/Ser.VI-1/2009-18, dated 24.09.2012.
- 10) From Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer representation, dated 21.11.2012.

ORDER:-

It has been brought to the notice of the Government that a Disproportionate Assets case was registered by the Anti-Corruption Bureau authorities against Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer, Irrigation Department, Vamsadhara Project, Hiramandalam, Srikakulam district, as he had acquired assets disproportionate to the known sources of his legal income.

2. In the reference 2nd read above, the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad has submitted his final report and among other things, recommended to initiate departmental action against Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer for violation of A.P. Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

3. In the reference 3rd read above, departmental proceedings under rule 20 of A.P. Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991 were initiated against Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer and Articles of Charges have been framed and communicated to him for submitting his written statement of defence. The charges are that Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer has not obtained prior permission from the competent authority in acquisition of assets in his name and in the names of his family members; that he failed to submit Annual Property Returns to the competent authority from 1978 to 2008 etc.

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4. In the reference 4th read above, Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer has submitted his written statement of defence, stating that the matter covered under these charges is subjudice in C.C.No.17/2011 of the Hon'ble Court of III Additional District Sessions Judge-cum-Special Judge for ACB Cases, Visakhapatnam since July, 2011 and he is the accused in the above case and that he cannot disclose the matter of his defence now. He has requested to consider his case sympathetically and requested that the departmental enquiry need to be postponed, till the finalization of A.C.B. case, as if he disclosed his defence it would cause severe prejudice to him.

5. In the reference 5th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad was requested to institute an inquiry into the charges framed against Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer under the provisions of A.P. Civil Services (CC & A) Rules, 1991, duly appointing a competent Enquiry Officer of proven integrity, and also a Presenting Officer in consultation with the Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad, with the directions that the Inquiry as per the CCA Rules should be completed within three months and furnish the Enquiry Report to the Government, for taking further action in the matter. Accordingly, the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad has issued orders, appointing the Executive Engineer, T.B.P. Division, Rajam of T.T.P.R. Circle, Vizianagaram as the Inquiring Authority to inquire into the charges framed against Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer, and Sri. J. Srinivasa Rao, Deputy Executive Engineer, B.R.R. Vamsadhara Project as the Presenting Officer to present the case before the Inquiring Authority on behalf of the disciplinary authority, vide references 6th & 7th read above.

6. In the reference 8th read above, the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad has forwarded the Enquiry Report submitted by the Executive Engineer, T.B.P. Division, Rajam of T.T.P.R. Circle, Vizianagaram for taking further action in the matter. The Enquiry Officer in his inquiry report held that out of (7) charges, (5) charges as proved and (2) charges as not proved.

7. In the reference 9th read above, a copy of the Inquiry Report was communicated to Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer inviting his representation.

8. In the reference 10th read above, Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer has submitted his representation, stating that his ancestors are land lords and being hereditary, those assets are divided into four parts among his brothers and he has 1/4th share of those assets like agriculture lands, and on the said assets, some income was derived and he had purchased some assets by the agriculture income. He has further stated that he passed S.S.C. Examination and I.T.I. and being a Technical Officer, he was innocent in Service Rules. During his entire service, departmental officers have not insisted him to submit Annual Property Returns. He has, therefore, requested to drop further action against him keeping in view of the ground reality.

9. After careful examination of the matter, Government have observed that as there are no new grounds/reasons put forth by the Charged Officer other than those already examined by the Inquiring Authority, and therefore, accepted the findings of the Inquiring Authority. Therefore, it has been decided to impose a penalty of withholding of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect on Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer, Irrigation Department, B.R.R. Vamsadhara Project, Hiramandalam, Srikakulam district, without prejudice to the criminal case pending against him before the Hon'ble ACB Court,

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Visakhapatnam. Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of withholding of one Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect on Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer, Irrigation Department, B.R.R. Vamsadhara Project, Hiramandalam, Srikakulam district, without prejudice to the criminal case pending against him before the Hon'ble ACB Court, Visakhapatnam.

10. The Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad shall take further necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SHAILENDRA KUMAR JOSHI
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

Sri. T. Ramadas, Technical Officer, Irrigation Department, Vamsadhara Project, Hiramandalam, Srikakulam district through the Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.

The Engineer-in-Chief (A.W.), Irrigation & C.A.D. Department, Hyderabad.

Copy to:-

The Director General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Hyderabad.

The Accountant General (A & E), Andhra Pradesh, Hyderabad.

The Secretary to Vigilance Commission, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

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SECTION OFFICER